

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method performed by a server device, the method comprising:

receiving, from a user, one or more search queries that include one or more search terms and a selection of one or more search criteria, the receiving being performed via a communication interface or input device of the server device;

~~receiving, from the user, information associated with one or more search characteristics;~~

searching stored data, based on the one or more search terms and based on the one or more search criteria, to identify results, the searching being performed by a processor of the server device; and

providing, by the communication interface or an output device of the server device, a document that includes a multi-dimensional graph of at least some of the identified results, where:

a relevance of the identified results to the one or more search terms is represented as a first dimension on the multi-dimensional graph,

at least one of the one or more selected search ~~characteristics~~ criteria being is represented as a second dimension on the multi-dimensional graph, and

~~where one of image representations of the included identified results [[is]] are plotted represented by an image on the multi-dimensional graph based on relevance and the at least one of the one or more search criteria.~~

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, where the identified results are sorted by relevance.
3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, where the one or more search queries are inferred from actions taken by the user other than entering one or more explicit search queries.
4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, where the actions taken by the user comprises past browsing activity of the user.
5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, where the one or more search queries are selected from a list of multiple search queries.
6. (Canceled)
7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, where ~~the one~~ at least some of the included identified results [[is]] are further represented on the multi-dimensional graph by text.

8. (Canceled)
9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, where the one or more search ~~characteristics~~ criteria comprise at least one of recency, price, dates, image quality, image size or geographic distance.
10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, where the multi-dimensional graph comprises a two-dimensional graph.
11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, where a scaling of an axis corresponding to the dimension is non-linear.
12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 11, where at least a portion of the axis corresponding to the second dimension comprises a logarithmic scale.
13. (Canceled)
14. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
receiving user input to selectively alter a resolution of the second dimension of the multi-dimensional graph.
15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, where a fixed number of results are displayed on each page of the document.

17-18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently amended) A system, comprising:

a server device to:

receive, from a user, one or more search queries that include one or more search terms and a selection of one or more search criteria;

~~receive, from the user, an indication of one or more search characteristics;~~

search stored data, based on the one or more search terms, to identify results, where the identified results are orderable by the one or more search ~~characteristics~~ criteria, and

provide a document that includes a multi-dimensional graph ~~[[of]]~~ that includes at least some of the identified results of the search, where

a relevance of the identified results to the one or more search terms is represented as a first dimension on the multi-dimensional graph,

[[with]] at least one of the one or more search ~~characteristics~~ criteria being is represented as a second dimension on the multi-dimensional graph, and where one of

image representations [[the]] of the included identified results is represented are positioned on the multi-dimensional graph as an image based on relevance and the at least one of the one or more search criteria.

20-58. (Canceled)

59. (Currently amended) A computer readable memory device containing instructions for controlling at least one processor to perform a method of providing a document that includes a multi-dimensional graph, the method, comprising:

providing an interface specific to searching a particular type of documents;

receiving, from a user, one or more search queries and a selection of a range of a search criterion associated with the particular type of documents;

~~receiving, from the user, information associated with one or more search characteristics;~~

searching stored data, based on the one or more search queries, to identify results, where the identified results are orderable by relevance to the one or more search queries and by the one or more search characteristics criterion; and

providing a document that includes a multi-dimensional graph of at least some of the identified results, where

a relevance of the identified results to the one or more search queries is represented as a first dimension on the multi-dimensional graph,

the search criterion is represented as a second dimension on the multi-dimensional graph, scaled based on the selected range, and

visual representations of at least one of the one or more characteristics being represented as a dimension on the multi-dimensional graph, where one some of the

identified results ~~[[is]]~~ are represented by a visual representation positioned on the multi-dimensional graph, where at least some of the visual representations partially overlap.

60. (Previously presented) The system of claim 19, where at least two of the one or more search characteristics are represented as separate dimensions on the multi-dimensional graph.

61. (Previously presented) The method of claim 60, where the at least two of the one or more search characteristics include two of price, dates, recency, image quality, image size or geographic distance.

62. (Previously presented) The system of claim 19, where the one or more search queries include information inferred from actions taken by the user other than entering the one or more search terms.

63. (Previously presented) The system of claim 62, where the actions taken by the user comprise past browsing activity of the user.

64. (Currently amended) The system of claim 19, where the image ~~comprises~~ representations comprise at least one of an icon or text.

65. (Canceled)

66. (Previously presented) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where the multi-dimensional graphical display comprises a two-dimensional graph.

67. (Currently amended) The computer readable memory device of claim 66, where a scaling of an axis corresponding to ~~at least one~~ the second dimension ~~varies~~ is non-linear.

68. (Currently amended) The computer readable memory device of claim 66, where at least a portion of the axis corresponding to ~~at least one~~ the second dimension comprises a logarithmic scale.

69. (Canceled)

70. (Previously presented) The computer readable memory device of claim 66, where the method further comprises:

receiving user input to selectively alter a resolution of a dimension of the multi-dimensional graphical display.

71. (Previously presented) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where the document spans multiple pages and where a fixed number of identified results are displayed on each page of the multiple pages.

72. (New) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where the particular type of documents and the search criterion comprise, respectively, one of documents

relating to consumer products and price, news documents and publication date, geographically relevant documents and distance from a particular location, or images and image quality.

73. (New) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where identified results that are more relevant to the search query overlap on top of identified results that are less relevant to the search query.

74. (New) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where to avoid overlap along the first dimension, at least some of the included identified results are shifted, along the first dimension, in a less relevant direction until there is no overlap.

75. (New) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where to avoid overlap along the first dimension, at least some of the included identified results are shifted, along the second dimension, until there is no overlap.

76. (New) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where when the user moves the cursor of a pointing device over a visual representation of one of the included identified results on the multi-dimensional graph, information relating to the one of the included identified results is presented to the user.

77. (New) The method of claim 1, where the image representations of the included identified results comprise links to the included identified results.

78. (New) The system of claim 19, where the image representations of the at least some of the identified results comprise links to the at least some of the identified results.

79. (New) The computer readable memory device of claim 59, where the visual representations of the included identified results comprise links to the included identified results.